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LATORRE'S BRUTAL DECREE THE HYPOGRISY OF SPAIN'S RE-

Beath to the Man, Woman, or Child Who Stands at His Door in Nucvitas-Beath to the Person Who Shoots a Firecracker-Threats for the Consul Who Raises His Flag

FORMS FULLY EXPOSED.

HAVANA, Dec. 9 .- Don Agustin Latorre, ary commander of the city of Puerto Principe, has exposed with a few strokes of his pen the hypocrisy of Spain's alleged policy of mild-ness under Gen. Blanco. The barbarous decree of Latorre, a part of which was cabled o Wednesday to THE SUN, exceeds in cruelty anything that Gen. Weyler ever devised to exterminate non-combatants, women and chil-dren. Its full text, published in Havana by La Lucha, inspires the greatest horror, and, according to the most trustworthy information from Puerto Principe, it is carried out with re lentless vigor. Two hundred families already have fied from Nuevitas panic-stricken, to take refuge in Puerto Principe. The decree was believed at first to be merely a threat, but when a few days ago a poor woman was shot in Nuevi tas for the sole crime of leaving her home, with out permission of Latorre, to buy provisions for her family, then terror spread in the city and the general exodus began. Maria Mendoza was the name of the woman. She was a widow 45 years of age. To her was applied Article II. of

The city of Nuevitas is no more in danger of an attack now than before Don Agustin La re took its military command. Many bands of insurgents belonging to the army of Gen. the trains from Nuevitas to Puerto Principe as in the time of Gen. Weyler, but there is no regular siege and no cause for shooting the defence less inhabitarts. The killing of the woman Mendoza was a barbarous assassination, and it has been followed by the shooting of six male residents of the city not charged with more serious offences. Not even the resource of seeking protection in a foregin consulate is left to the inhabitants of Nuevitas. Latorre has revoked in his decree all codes of internationa law, and all the most sacred rights of foreign ers to be considered as neutrals in times of war. The foreign Consuls are forbidden to raise their national flags on their houses. Such a thing seems hardly credible in the nineteenth cen tury, but here are the exact words, literally translated, of the decree as published in La Lucha:

The military commander of Nucvites, Don Augus tin Latorre y Rivas, orders: Article 1—Any person who, meaning to cause alarm shall fire fireorackers or firearms within the town s when it is threatened by the enemy shall

Article 2—The same penalty shall be imposed upon any resident, without distinction of sex or age, who shall go out from his home or even stand at the door From this prohibition are excused the employees o my Government and the volunteers and the firemen Long-continued danger to the city from the enemy will be made known to the families, for them to choose one only of their members to go out at a riven hour to procure provisions, such person to re-turn home as speedily as possible. Article 8—25 is also forbidden, with the same pen-

alty of death, to any resident or head employee of any kind of office to hoist any flag which is not that f Spain. If any foreign Consul shall have any obje as, and then I will decide about his case in the way

I shall doem best.

Article 6—It is also absolutely forbidden that any family shall take refuge in the forts and barrack excepting the families of the volunteers and em-ployees of the Government, who will show an express order from me. If in any fore or barrack fami-lies of the residents of this city shall attempt to take refuse, the soldiers shall use their arms to repulse

A gentleman vesiding in Puerto Principe writes to THE SUN'S correspondent, inclosing a copy of the decree, which he says is highly praised there by the uncompromising Spariards. He adds:

'Weyler never dared to punish in his decrees the representatives of foreign nations, or to say openly that women and children should be shot. reated here by Latorre' attitude is beyond description. Terror prevails among the poor families who conceived a hope for the safety of their lives after the departure of the Butcher. More than 150 young men, nearly persuaded by the Autonomist leaders to accept peace, have left the capital of the province full of indignation, joining the of Lope Recio. Whenever a Cuban de

forces of Lope Recio. Whenever a Cuban desires to believe in Spain's good faith when she promises reforms and justice, a fresh barbarity of the Spaniards betrays their real feelings and makes impossible any compromise with them."

The consular agents in Nuevitas of the United States, England, France, and Germany have written to the Consul-Generals of those nations in Havana explaining the gravity of the situation and protesting against article 3 of Latorre's decree.

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In Havana it is believed that some international protest will be made to Spain.

Washington, Dec 12.—It could not be ascertained to night whether the State Department has received official information of the reported action of Gen. Latorre commanding the Spanish forces in Puerio Principe, in forbidding under pain of death the raising of foreign flags in such a way as even to exclude Consuls from the privilege of raising the flags of their Consulates except upon his permission. Any injury to a foreign consular officer by the authorities of the country in which he is atationed, would undoubtedly result in a demand for reparation and apology.

No precedent by which Gen. Latorre's alleged action can be considered could be recalled to night, but the policy of the United States has been that consular officers of this Government cannot display the Stars and Stripes over their residence or offices unless that right is given by treaty.

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The nearest case in point that can be cited occurred in Mexico in 1874. Mr. Foster, the American Minister to that country, wrote to the State Department about the display of consular flags in the Mexican capital on a holiday, and asked whether the practice on the part of American Consular officer was annotioned by the department. Hamilton Fish, then Secretary of State, wrote Mr. Foster, under date of Feb. 16, 1874, as follows:

"This is a matter subject to municipal laws, unless a privilege in respect to it should have been granted by treaty. We have no other privilege than that of equality with other nations, which will always be insisted on. It appears, however, that the authorities of the City of Mexico have giverlooked a strict observance of the law by allowing Consuls to display their flags on holidays of their respective nations. This, it seems to me, is as much as may be needed. If, however, they should at any think proper to withdraw this indulgence, it is clear that we cannot insist upon its continuance as a matter of right."

The United States have no treaty with Spain permitting Consular officers to display the flag of their country.

AMMUNITION LANDED IN CUBA. 800 Shells for the Pasumatic Dynamite Gu

Patria, the official organ of the Junta in this city, publishes the following statement: "Our brothers in the field have just received a new expedition which landed 1,200 cannot balls and shells, including 200 shells for the pneumatic dynamite gun; 300 rifles, 300,000 rounds of ammunition, 1,000 machetes, many dynamite bombs, several electrical machines for war purposes, clothes and provisions."

BLANCO HELPS OFFICE HOLDERS. Revokes the Decree Requiring Thom to posit Menvy Security.

HAVANA, Dec. 11.-In order to make it possible for some officials lately appointed by the Government to hold office in Cubs, Gen. Blanco will issue a decree to-morrow excepting them from giving bonds to the Treasury. Many Cubans, ruined by the war, could not hold office if they had to deposit the heavy guarantees demanded by issw. The Captain-General revokes also all previous decrees by which the suntoipalities are allowed to seize and sell property of taxpayers is debt to them.

WETLER'S WELCOME AT MADRID. ZANOLI BOUGHT POISONS. Darried a Third of a Mile on the Shoulders of a Chearing Crawd.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—Gen. Weyler arrived here to-day. At the instance of Senor Romero Robledo 2.000 Carlists, Republicans and others, gathered at the rallway station to welcome the ex-Captain-General of Cuba. As Gen. Weyler emerged from the train the crowd cheered him. Just as he was about to step into his carriage a band of his admirers surrounded him, and, lifting him upon their shoulders, carried him a third of a mile, the crowd following and cheering loudly. When this distance had been covered Gen. Weyler was allowed to take a seat in an open carriage, and the remainder of the distance to his hotel was traversed without his receiving any popular notice. The enthusiasm of his supporters evaporated when they entered the main streets of the city. The citizens generally were indifferent to Weyler's presence.

CAPT. MAHAN'S NEW BOOK ABROAD. A London Newspaper Contrasts It Pavorably

with Bryce's Views. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. LONDON, Dec. 12.—All the papers publish lengthy reviews of "American Interest in Sea Power," the latest work of Capt. Alfred T. Mahan, U. S. N., retired, which is published to day. The Daily News contrasts it with Prof. James Bryce's paper published in the Forum. rather with the strategist than the statesman,

GERMANS AT KIAO CHOU.

Aircady Collecting Customs—Will Work Cont Beds 100 Kilometres Distant.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. BERLIN, Dec. 12.-Oampanies are already be ing formed to work the cast beds at Wel, which s nearly a hundred kilometres from Kiao Chou Bay, the part of China recently seized by Germany. These companies propose to construct

railways to Wel, to erect storehouses, &c. According to a despatch from Shanghai the Germans are already collecting the customs and arranging the administration of Kiao Chou.

RUDINI FAILED AFTER ALL. omi-Official Announcement to Home That He

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Rome, Dec. 12.-A semi-official note was pubished at a late hour to-night stating that Prime Minister Rudini informed King Humert this evening that his negotiations for the

formation of a Cabinet had been without result. Despatches from Rome received here on Friday night announced that Rudini had succeeded in forming a Cabinet, and gave the names of the new Ministers.

BUNTING FOR A GAS LEAK.

Exploration in Newark Pollowed by an Explealon That Moved Two Houses.

Along Sussex avenue, between Summit and Boyden streets, Newark, there has recently been considerable complaint about illuminating gas escaping into the houses through the cellars. A six-inch cast-iron main is laid in the avenue four feet under the Telford pavement and in the shale or "callous" which covers the red sandstone of the ridge. A break has occurred in the main and the gas has worked through the seams in the shale and into a score of houses. An effort was made on Saturday evening to lecate the break without tearing up the pavement. Small holes were made by driving a barthrough the pavement to a depth of three feet. Then the gas escaping from the hole was lighted. These test holes were made ten or fifteen feet apart, and when all were lighted up flames, from an inch or two in height at either end of the exploration up to five feet high in the middle, illuminated the middle of the street. The point where the tailest flame appeared was naturally regarded as the location of the break, but when the trench was opened the diggers found that they were astray. Then the men were set at work opening pits five or six feet in length and less than ten feet apart, but they did not succeed in finding the leak.

Shortly after midnight an explosion of gas occurred under 33 and 35 Sussex avenue, lifting and shifting the houses of David Ward and Albert Rose about two inches. It was subsequently learned that years ago a brock ran diagonally across the avenue, and that it had been covered by a brick cuivert which terminated at the foundation wall of Mr. Ward's house. This culvert formed a pocket for the gas, and one of the test flames probably fired the accumulation. The explosion frightened many persons, but no one was hurt. main and the gas has worked through the seam

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POLICEMAN HAD NO WOUND. tut. As Count, His Alleged Assatlant Was

Badly Beaten. The lines of Thomas Jenkins, the undersized anitor and coffee maker to the Zion A. M. E. Mission in Eleventh avenue, fell in unhappy places yesterday morning. At a little before daybreal he attempted to arbitrate a difference of opinion between Mrs. Green, with whom he boarded at 225 West Sixtleth street, and her husband. Jenkins is a theosophist, but he doesn't know it. Neither do his neighbors. They call him "light-headed." This may explain why he lifted his hand between the Greens. At any rate it was a foolish way to begin the day. Before he really knew what had happened him, he

rate it was a foolish way to begin the day. Before he really knew what had happened him, he found himself falling downstairs. The Greens, with pleasing unanimity, were denouncing him from the landing, whence they had hurled him. Jenkins sat on the front steps to think it over. To him came Policeman Hinds of the West Sixty-eighth street station, who had been instructed to chase all loungers out of the halis and doorways of tenements.

"Get out of that," said Hinds.

"Whaffor i" said Thomas.

"Don't ask me what for!" said Hinds. "Git!"

"Can't a man sit on the steps of where he lives? These are certainly hard times," grumbled the negro.

"If you live here go on upstairs," said Hinds.

"That I won't man. That I won't." Thomas glanced fearsomely over his shoulder, as though he feared the coming of the Greens.

"Then get off the block," said Hinds, as he showed Jenkins down the street. Jenkins walked over to Eleventh avenue and took a look at the mission. It was very cold and cheerless, so he started back to the inhospitable Gireens. On the way he met Hinds.

"Didn't I tell you to g wan!" yelled the policeman as he raised his club. Then did Jenkins make his second great mistake. He caught hold of the club. As a result he was arraigned in the West Fifty-fourth Street Court yesterday morning charged with assaulting an "officer." By way of proof that Hinds had been assaulted Jenkins's head was bound up in complicated bandages, while the policeman was without a scratch. That is always the way with assaulted policemen. The only marks of the assault are left on the man who is accused of hitting him. Magistrate Brann was so much impressed with Jenkins's exemplification of the case that he paroled the negro until witnesses could be summoned.

FREIGHT WRECK ON THE CENTRAL The Road Blocked for Several Hours and At

Trains to Albany Belayed. ALBANY, Dec. 12.—A freight train on the Nev York Central Railroad was wrecked at Hyde Park this morning, blocking the road for twelve hours. The Central Station was thronged for hours by people anxious to learn the particulars of the wreck. Anxiety subsided when it

was announced that no lives were lost. The Lake Shore Limited was the first train to arrive from New York, reaching here at 2:30 this afternoon, via Chatham, over the New York and Harlem and the Boston and Aloany rail-

On this train was Joseph Leberer of West Albany, the fireman of the wrocked freight train, He was taken to the Albany Hospital and afterward removed to his home. His back was severely but not seriously injured.

The newspaper train, caught just below the wrock, was about twelve hours late, and did not reach here until shortly after 7 o clock tonight.

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Special Cable Despatch to TER BUE. Paris, Dec. 12.—The Government and ex-Prime Minister Dupuy both deny the statements which appeared in the Intransipeant yesterday purporting to give the true details of the Dreyfus Major Thomas Excited Over the Supposed Fatof the Bottle He Gave Her.

OPIUM AND ARSENIC SOLD TO THE MAN OF SEVEN FUNERALS.

Two Purchases, One Before Mis Second Wife Died, One Before the Third Died-Prisoner Appears to Talk with Frankness and Benjes Murder-Exhumation of Wife No 4 To-Day.

The police have discovered that on two occaions at least, shortly before the death of two of his wives, poisons were purchased by Charles sons and collected nearly \$7,000 of insurance on their lives. The police know where these poisons were purchased. One was arsenic, the other was opium. The police have also in their possession a bottle found in the apartment at 248 East 125th street, formerly occupied by Zanoli. This bottle when found was half filled with a liquid supposed to contain arsenic. The contents of this bottle are now being analyzed by a chemist. When the analysis is completed is probable that all the police know about Zanoli's experiences with poisons will be made

Ever since Zanoli has been a prisoner at Headquarters the police have been inquiring at every drug store in the vicinity of his various residences to find out if the man had ever bought poisons at any of them. Sales of poisons must, by law, be registered with the name of the purchaser. After several days the search of the detectives was rewarded. They found two places at which, it is said, the barber bought opium and arsenic.

According to the statement made to a reporter of THE SUN these poisons were purchased, one of them shortly before the death of the second wife, and the other shortly before the death of the third wife. These women were, before their marriage to Zanoli, Lena Werner and Louisa Herzig. The second wife, Lena, died at 2306 avenue on Nov. 25, 1895. Louisa died at 509 West Thirty-sixth street on Dec. 13,

Further than this, Capt. McClusky learned yesterday afternoon from Zanoli himself that the barber was both something of a dentist and omething of a doctor. Zanoli told Capt. Mc-Clusky that it often happens in Germany that a barber is called upon to extract teeth and to attend persons who are suffer-ing from slight illnesses and who cannot afford to pay the fee of a regular physician. He told the Captain that he had often pulled teeth and had, on more than one occasion, cupped patients. When a blister had been raised by cupping, he told the Captain that he had lanced the blister and then applied salves to heal the sore.

"When you extracted the teeth," asked Capt. McClusky, "did you give the patient anything o allay the pain ? What-"

'Let me interrupt you, Captain," said Zanoli. "I know what you are getting at. You want to know if I put them to sleep, and you think, if I tell you, that I will show that I know something about the things that may put people to sleep for good. Now listen to me. My lawyers have told me not to talk to you. No matter what they have said, I tell you to ask me any question you choose and I will answer truly. I want to help you all I can in clearing this matter up. I have done wrong, but I never murdered. If I can help you to clear away any mystery that may sur ound the death of any of my wives, I will gladly

Cant. McClusky told Zanoli that he had no desire to take advantage of him, and he would not question him further in violation of his lawyer's instructions. Notwithstanding, Zan

not question him further in violation of his lawyer's instructions. Notwithstanding, Zanoli ineisted on telling something about himself. He said that his grandfather was an Italian, and that he had had only an ordinary education in the old country. He said that his people were not well off, and that he had to carn his own living early in life.

When Capt. McClusky was asked yesterday evening if he had caught Zanoli in a lie so far the Captain said that he had not. He said that he had investigated the story told by Zanoli about sending his stepdaughter. Lena Werner, to her grandmother in Berlin in October, 1896. McClusky found that the child did go to Germany in the steerage of a Hamburg-American ship in October, 1896. She was known as No. 5,017, and she was accompanied by a woman whom the child's father met on the dock, who was known as 37,332. Zanoli paid \$21,60 for the child's passage and her railroad fare from Hamburg to Berlin. Zanoli has told Capt. McClusky that his reason for sending the girl to Germany, and after hearing that he concluded to send the child back, so that she could be near her father.

In concluding that a woman named Mrs. Meyer of 227 Marcy svenue, Brocklyn, was the woman whom Zanoli intended to make his fifth wife, under the name of Wagner, the police were misinformed. Yesterday morning they found the right woman. She is Barbara Haufner, 21 years old, and she lives in Brooklyn. She had an advertisement for a place as house-keeper in the Staats-Zedung, which Zanoli read last Tuesday morning. After reading it Zanoli sent the following, written on a postal card, to Miss Haufner;

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The body of Jennie Schlessinger, Zanoli's fourth wife, which was buried in St. Michael's Cemetery, Astoria, will be exhumed this morning at 10 o'clock. Deputy Assistant District Attorney Van Wyck will have charge of the work, representing the District Attorney's office. The State will also be represented by Dr. George F. Shrady and G orge P. Biggs, pathological expert, who have been employed to assist Prof. Witthaus in the examination and analysis of the parts of the body taken away. Police Surgeon Nammack and Sergeant Morris will represent the Coroner's office.

Dr. Herman M. Biggs, toxicologist and bacteriologist to the Board of Health, speaking of the Zanoli case yesterday, said:

"It is not uncommon, when physicians do not know the history of a case, but do know that the patient has suffered from dizziness and pains in the head, to say, at death, that the patient has suffered from dizziness and to have suffered from dizziness, pains in the head and coma, the only symptom to consider seriously is coma. Coma produced by opium poisoning might easily be mistaken for the coma accompanying apoplexy. The two are very similar."

JAPAN SHORT OF COAL. Her Supply Cannot Last Fifty Years—Hu

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 12.—Capt. McGregor o the British steamship Glenlochy, which has jus arrived from Japan, reports that coal experts who have been making investigations of Japan's coal supply declare that it cannot last fifty years longer. This is causing much uneasiness and has resulted in increased importations from Australia. Capt. McGregor reports that coal prices in Japanese ports have advanced 40 per cent. in eight months, and thet restrictions have been placed upon its sale to foreign steamers. He wanted to lead 1,200 tons to last him to Europe, but obtained only snough for the voyage to Tacoma. China has coal mines, but the officials will not yet permit their development.

Russia is making gigantic improvements at Viadivostock preparatory to its opening next year. Capt. McGregor says the Russians new regard it only as a fortrees, not courting commerce. He could not obtain a bill of health for his steamer until the Russian Admiral commanded his physician to give him one. Seven years have been taken up in the construction of one of the world's greatest dry docks at Vladivostock. It is 550 fest long, 90 wide, 30 deep, cut out of a solid rock bluff. Magnificent stone terminal docks are building for the trans-diberian Railway, Military camps occupy the surrounding heights, and 8,000 soldiers are stationed at and mear the city. prices in Japanese ports have advanced 40 per

MISS RICHARDSON'S WHISKEY.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 12.-Major Barak G. Thomas, the veteran turfman, thinks that the ottle of whiskey which Miss Harriet Bainbridge Richardson sent to Secretary Herbert was one of forty-five-year-old liquor that he gave her. He is highly indignant over its sup posed disappearance. In an interview to-day be said:

"I want you to ask for me what has becom of that whiskey. Miss Richardson, whose father was one of my neighbors, came to me and asked for a bottle of my old whiskey with which to christen the ship. I er she could have two bottles if she wanted them, but she replied that one was sufficient. I gave her the bottle, understanding that it would be broken over the prow of the blend with the sea foam as it dashed over the

blend with the sea foam as it dashed over the prow of the mighty vessel. I very much fear, however, that the whiskey has met its fate long ago, and will never be used for the purpose for which it was intended.

"That bottle of whiskey has a remarkable history. It was distilled in a little old fashloned still house erected nearly one hundred years ago by a man named Cole, who was a contemporary of Jim Crow and old Occar Pepper, the earliest distillers in Kentucky. The house stood on the Kentucky River at Frankfort and about half a mile from the State House, Old Dan Swigert distilled this whiskey in 1855, and I bought it a year or two later. While I was in the Confederate army it was hidden away in the collar of the house of my old friend, the late Madison C. Johnson, where it remanised until 1870, thus making it lifteen years old. I then bottled it, and it has remained in my cellars carefully guarded.

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"I sometimes treat my friends on this rare old whiskey, several bottles of which I still have left, but I make it a point never to allow a politician to taste it, and it grieves me deeply to think that the whiskey I gave to Miss Richardson for patriotic purposes has probably been consumed by politicians like Mr. Herbert and Mr. Cleveland. I think Mr. Herbert might at least return the bettle to me, so that I may have some reminder of the vicissitudes through which this old liquor has passed."

His Washington Mines and Railroad Said

Have Lest Him About \$8,500,000. TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 12.-John D. Rockefelle s said to have lost an immense sum, estimated at \$3,000,000, in the purchase and development of the Monte Cristo gold mines in Snobomish county. His managers admit that Rainey and Monte Cristo, two of the mines for which he paid big prices, have proved worthless. Pride of the Mountain mine pays so small a margin above operating expenses, they say, that it will not pay to rebuild the Everett and Monte Cristo Railroad, also owned by Mr. Rockefeller, Thirty miles of this road between Granite Falls and Monte Cristo was recently washed out by floods.

Monto Cristo was recently washed out by floods, eleven miles of it through Stiliagamish Cañon being totally obliterated.

Many have supposed that Mr. Rockefeller's mines were paying handsomely and that the railroad would be rebuilt immediately. In a despatch received last night from New York, F. Q. Gates, financial agent for Mr. Rockefeller, is quoted as saying authoritatively that the washed-out portion will not be rebuilt. Thirty miles between Granite Falls and Everett will still be operated as a logging road. This decision will result in cutting off supplies from the Everett smelter and Mr. Rockefeller's mines and concentrator, besides promising mines owned by others, and the entire Silverton mining district, 150 miles below Monte Cristo. J. B. Crooker, Mr. Rockefeller's manager at Everett, says the railroad, mines, and concentrator could not be made a paying investment. These properties cost Mr. Rockefeller's manager at Everett, says the railroad, mines, and concentrator could not be made a paying investment. These properties cost Mr. Rockefeller between three and four million dollars, the railroad alone costing a million and a half. He also controls Everett town sites, the value of which will degreese with the shutting down of the mines.

LIQUOR LABELS COUNTERPEITED. A Chicago Firm Charged with Practices by

Which the Government Has Lost \$150,000. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.-Armed with search warrants, representatives of the Wine and Spirits Society of the United States seized and carried away a miscellaneous collection of alleged counterfoit labels, skeleton cases ready for hipment, stencils made in imitation of trademarks of well-known brends of whiskies and brandles, and other apparatus last evening from the big bottling house of Hochstadter & Levy, 188 Kinzle street.

The attorneys for the association declare that they have appred a conspiracy of five years.

they have nipped a conspiracy of five years' standing by which apurious imported spirits have been placed in the local market. They estimate that the internal revenue bureau has been defrauded of over \$150,000 within that time. They say the members of the firm will be prosecuted on a variety of charges, including obtaining money under false pretense, forgery and violation of the internal revenue act.

The Wine and Spirits Society representatives threaten to ask the Grand Jury to indict several other persons who have been accused of violating the same laws.

It is alleged that the accused persons were prepared to sell liquor with counterfeit labels of every high-grade brand made in Europe or Canada.

ARTIST HEATON SUES FOR DIFORCE. Charges That His Wife Has Abandoned El and Neglected Her Marital Vows.

PERRY, Oklahoma, Dec. 12.-August G. Heaon, the artist, of Washington and New York city, has filed suit for a divorce from his wife. Mrs. Adelaide G. Heaton, who now resides in New York city. Mr. Heaton came to Oklahoma from Washington more than a year ago. He had resided in Washington for years.

Heaton said he was married in New York city nearly thirty years ago, and since that time he has made his home in Washington and New has made his home in Washington and New York city, with the exception of a few years at Paris.

In his suit Mr. Heaton affirms that his wife had abandoned him and that she has neglected her marital vows in not caring for him. It is said that Mrs. Heaton will contest the husband's suit and ask for heavy alimony.

Heaton's father is a noted Philadelphia banker, being President of the Philadelphia Trust and Savings Company of that city. Mrs. Heaton's father was a famous New York city attorney, who held the office of Corporation Counsel during Tweed's time.

RUN OVER BY FIRE CHIEF WELSH.

Driving to a Fire-Neither Badly Burt. While Battalion Chief Welsh was driving yesterday to a fire at Fifty-first street and Second avenue his wagon ran down two girls who were crossing Third avenue at Fortyseventh street. They were Minnie Nies, 11 years old, of 345 East Forty-seventh street, and er sister May, aged 3. The elder girl was leading the younger by the hand, and did not see the Chief's wagon as it came up the east side of the Fireman Straut, the driver, tried too late to buil in the horse. Minnie started to drag her sister out of the way, but the borse knocked both down. The elder girl, who received two bad cuts on the face, was taken to Flower Hospital. The younger, who was only bruised, was taken home.

A BIG STRIKE OF OIL.

to Tanks Were Bendy and a Great Quantity Was Wasted. FINDLAY, O., Dec. 12.-A big strike of oil was made yesterday on the farm of Moses McAnnelly, in Big Lick township, by the Standard Oil Company. The well was drilled 129 feet into the oil-bearing rock, being much deep into the oil-bearing rock, being much deeper than any other well drilled in this field. At that depth there was no sign of oil, but a large charge of nitro-glycerine was exploded at the bottom of the well, and the last effort was rewarded by a big flow of oil.

Owing to the poor prospects no tanks had been set up, and the oil poured out upon the ground all night, and to-day there is a veritable sea of oil around the well for several hundred feet. This afternoon pipes were connected, and the oil is now being run into the company's line.

Mrs. Mary Roche, 65 years old, of 13 Chapel street, Brooklyn, attended early mass at St.
James's Pro-Cathedral in Jaystreet, near Tillary,
yesterday morning. While there she was
stricken with parelysis. She was taken to St.
Feter's Hospital.

J. B. EUSTIS AT LAKEWOOD.

FORMER AMBASSADOR TO PBANCE CALLS ON MR. CROKER.

Nearly All the Piace Hunters Have Filed Their Claims to Office-Ryan or Dalton Hamed to Succeed Waring-What Will James J. Martin Get !- Gossip About the Candidates. LAKEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 12 .- Nearly all the pol-

iticians who arrived here yesterday left to-night. The score or more of district leaders talked with Mr. Croker and presented their claims for offices under the incoming administration. They left. however, with only general ideas as to who would receive the plums. Mr. Croker has the petitions. The leaders and office seekers are toing the thinking. Bernard J. York, the Brooklyn leader, is still

here. He had several talks with Mr. Croker and Mayor-elect Van Wyck during the day. Mr. York repeated his oft-reiterated statemen that everything is harmonious between the New York and Brooklyn Democrats. It is believed to be almost certain that Brooklyn will have at least one of the Dock Commissionerships. The second place will, it is said, lie between former Dock Commissioner Andrew J. White and James J. Boyle.

The place of Street Cleaning Commissioner i to-night understood to be intended for either John J. Ryan, leader of the Thirty-second Assembly district, or William Dalton, leader in the Eleventh Assembly district. Both men understand the workings of the department, as both have served as Deputy Commissioners The gossip to-night is that Dalton will be mad Commissioner and Ryan be restored to his old place as Deputy Commissioner.

The appointment of James J. Martin as Police commissioner is now believed to be doubtful. It is understood that he will get some other Com nissionership. He left here this evening.

The best information obtainable here to-day in regard to the place of City Clerk is that Leader P. J. Scully will be appointed and Nicholas J Hayes will get a place almost, but not quite, so

The presence here of David McClure and the arrival to-day of Former Ambassador to France J. B. Eustis, with his law partner, E. K. Jones started afresh the gossip about the corporation counselship. A reliable authority said, however, that their visit was not in connection with that office. The man whose name is most often heard of for the place is John Whalen, former Tax Commissioner. Henry D. Hotchkiss, Taco dore Connoly and Vernon M. Davis are also

The day was spent by the Tammany and oth er Democrats here in religious observance and rest. Nearly all the Tammany men attended high mass in the Church of St. Mary's of the Lake, of which the Rev. Thomas B. Healy is pastor. The little church had a larger congregation than at any time in its history. Mr. Croker with Messrs. Carroll and Whalen led the Tammany men in the walk to the church, and ameng those who followed were Senator Samuel J. Foley, Civil Justice Daniel F. Martin, John Halloran, John B. Sexton, Charles F. Murphy, J. B. McDonaid, Sheriff-elect Dunn, Mayor P. J. Glesson, James J. Martin, Councilman-elect Joseph O'Grady, P. J. Scully, and Senator T. D. Sullivan. Mayor Van Wyck, as is his custom, attended Divine service in All Saints' Memorial Church.

In the afternoon every carriage in Lakewood was employed in taking the Tammany men around the country. Mr. Croker drove a pair of spirited horses to a double-seated box wagon, with ex-Ambassador Euslis, Mayor-elect Van Wyck, and E. K. Jones in it, around the lake and through the beautiful pine park. County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer followed with Sheriff-elect Dunn and Deputy County Clerk-elect Schmer had produced and devent and the start was delayed by Mr. Schmer had good appetites for dinner. Former District The water was fine and the Tammany m r Democrate here in religious observance and est. Nearly all the Tammany men attended

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and his brother, Charles W., were visitors at the hotel to-day and were warmly greeted by the Tammany men, but it is understood that ex-District Attorney Ridgway is not a candidate for a place. Police Captain Elbert O. Smith was also a caller. He had a chat with Mayorelect Van Wyck.

Many of the Tammany men here will go to New York to attend the ball of the Delaware Club at the Central Opera House on Monday night. This is Sheriff-elect Dunn's club, and former occasions have been honored by the presence of Mr. Croker and all the big Tammany men.

ence of Mr. Cross and the certain that Under Sheriff Mulvaney will be retained by Sheriff Sheriff Mulvaney will be retained by Sheriff Tamsen man, and was retained by Sheriff Tamsen solely because of his competency. Philip J. Britt has the best chance of becoming Sheriff's counsel.

Raiph Earle and John P. Noonan Pitched Fit

teen Feet Out of Their Buggy. Ralph Earle, assistant engineer of the Hudson County Boulevard, and John P. Noonan, assistant clerk of the Board of Freeholders, drove to Bergen Point on Saturday afternoon to inspec the road. On their return, shortly after midnight, when they were approaching the inter-section of the boulevard and Montgomery street, they heard the noise of an appreaching trolley car. Mr. Earle's horse, which is very spirited and is valued at \$1,500, was frightened by the car and made a bolt across the tracks. The car, No. 136 of the Montgomery street line, struck the buggy and hurled the two men about fifteen feet.

feet.
They were both rendered unconscious, and were cut and bruised in the head and face. They were carried into Daniel T. Lewis's house, on the boulevard, where a doctor found that their injuries, although serious, were not likely to prove fatal. They were taken to their homes in a coach. The burgy was completely wrecked and the horse injured.

ACCUSED OF KIDNAPPING.

Houry Nelson Arrested-The Eight-Year-Of Nephow of Mr. Harboner Blissing. Henry Nelson, 88 years old, of 171 Java street. Brooklyn, was arrested yesterday on a warrant issued by Justice Bristow of the Butler Street Police Court on complaint of William Harboner of 13 Leonard street, this city, who accuses him of having kidnapped his 8-year-old nephew. Harboner says that Nelson came from Germany in company with a Mrs. Cutts four years ago, and they brought the child with them. In March last Mrs. Cutts died, leaving a life in

In March lest Mrs. Cutts died, leaving a life insurance policy of \$1,000 to the boy, who is hor son. In August Harboner was appointed guardian of the boy, who is his nephew, and also a committee for the estate.

He says that the boy's father lives in Germany and is well off. He took the boy to live with him in this city. He alleges that Nelson kidnapped the bey, and that the latter is now somewhere in Philadelphia. Nelson was locked up in the Adams street station. He denies that he kidnapped the boy or had anything to do with his disappearance.

FORMOSA REBELS ACTIVE They Have Secured Hundreds of Recruits 21: TACOMA. Wash., Dec. 12.-The steamer Tacoma

om the Orient, brings advises that the rebels in Formosa are again assuming the offensive. Hundreds of recruits have been added to their ranks since the battles of last summer, when the ranks since the battles of last summer, when the rebels were driven back from the scacoast towns. Early in November 600 rebels attacked the port of Denryoke and captured it. The chief Japaneae official and his deputy were killed and a large amount of booty was secured before the police and gendarmes could repel the onelaught. Eixteen men are reported killed and forty injured. Three rebel leaders captured at Unrin were shot down without trial by orders of the Japaneae civil officials. The military authorities are much incensed at this civillan interference and have made complaint to Tokie.

ANOTHER TANGIPAHOA MURDER. Mullen Is Supposed to Mave Been Killed by

New ORLEANS, La., Dec. 12,-Sam Mullen of New Orleans, La., Dec. 12. Comb. Harrisburg, Miss., who arrived in Amite City, of La., to-day, was assassinated in front hotel at which he was staying. He was shot by some one with a shotgun and was found dead when the crowd reached him, but the assassin had escaped Amite is the seat of justice of Tangipahoa par ish, in which so many murders have occurred lately, and was the home of Judge Reid, assas

sinated a few days ago. The latest murder seemed to indicate that the ssassins were at their work again, and bloodhounds were put on the track of the murderer The general idea is that Mullen was killed for ne one else, as he is a stranger in Amite.

GOT CLAWED BY A TIGER.

Jerseyman Says Wild Heasts Lose Their Pierce

John E. Smith of 120 Sussex avenue, Newark while visiting Central Park yesterday wandered into the lion house and became greatly interested in the tigers. He finally bough some peanuts, and, walking up to the cage. thrust them in through the bars. Prince, the largest of the tigers, disdained the peanuts, but made a grab for the hand that offered them. Its paw caught Smith's coat and tore the sleeve to shreds. The big claws due into the Jerseyman's right hand and in a minute Smith leeding. He managed to extricate his hand before any more damage was done. The sight of blood seemed to enrage the tiger and it tore at the bars. His roars alarmed the spe tators, so there was a general exodus from the

Smith was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, where his wounds were dressed. He explained that he had lived for a long time in Philadelphia, where the animals at the Zoo were so tame that they could be fed with impunity.

SENTENCED TO BE LYNCHED.

Friend of Charles Lewis, Who Was Lynched Believed to Have Been Hanged.

WESSON, Miss., Dec. 12,-After the lynchins of Charles Lewis, accused of the murder of the Brown Smith family, the mob arrested three negroes as accessories-Giles Berry, Tom Wallen, and Will Powell. They are the men with whom Lewis was on the night upon which he is supposed to have killed the Brown Smith

A lynch court was instituted and the three men were tried. Considerable opposition was shown to any more lynching, but the court, after being in session for some time, found Will Powell guilty and sentenced him to be hanged at the scene of the murder. This is twenty-four miles from the railroad, and no definite news has yet been received, but it is believed that Powell was lynched and that the other men arrested were allowed to depart.

CLEVELAND ON THE WATER LILY. A Government Launch Sent from Charlesto for His Duck-Hunting Trip.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 12.-Grover Cleveand's party of duck hunters at Georgetown bagged twenty-four birds yesterday afternoon. The Government launch Water Lily has been placed at Mr. Cleveland's disposal, and his party is using it to make trips to the hunting preserves. The Water Lily is stationed at Charleston, but several days ago was sent to Georgetown to meet Mr. Cleveland. He will

use the launch while here. The launch came up to Georgetown from the neighboring island to-day for mail, and the ex-President's party was reported to be having a pleasant trip. They will remain on the hunt for a week longer. A rival party of Northern sportsmen are shooting on the island near the Cleveland hunters, and they have killed more ducks than the men on the Government ves sel. Capt. Robley D. Evans is with Mr. Cleve-

RICH GOLD STRIKE IN TEXAS.

Prospectors Are Bushing to Indian Creek, and

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 12.-There is great excitement throughout this section over reports of the richness of the recent gold finds on Indian Creek, 100 miles west of here. One assay of or just made ran \$4,750 to the ton. Over 200 claims have been staked off, and prospector are rushing to the place from this city and the neighboring farms and ranches.

CUSTOMS SURVEYOR GONE.

Has Not Been Seen for Three Days, and Is Sale

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Dec. 12.-R. N. Whittle sey, Surveyor of Customs and a well-known citisen, has not been seen for three days. It is said that he is short several thousand dollars.

TIPEWRITERS MAY BE CHEAPER. It Is Reported That the Price Will Be Cut to \$50 Within a Year.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12,-It looks as though the \$100 typewriter would soon be practically a thing of the past. Nearly all the leading manu facturers are in a combine, but the sales have been cut into to an alarwing extent by outside makers.

A representative of the combine here is authority for the statement that a general cut of 50 per cent, will be made before another year is ended. He thought such action would practically cut off competition and admitted that \$50 was a fair price for a first-class machine.

SHOT HIS FRIEND IN A DUEL. I'we Young Mexicans Engaged to Sisters Quar relied and Fought.

GUADALAJARA, Mexico, Dec. 12,-Salvador Aroniz and Ismael Bermudez, two prominent young business men of this city, quarrelled over trivial matter and agreed to settle the difficul ty by fighting a duel. Seconds were chosen and the affair of honor occurred, resulting in Aronis being shot through the head in the first round and instantly killed. Bermudez has been ar-rested and is in jall. The two men were en-gaged to marry sisters, and had always been friends.

SEVEN MONTHS WITHOUT TRIAL An American Kept in Selltary Confinement i

OAXAGA, Mexico, Dec. 12,-About seven menths ago J. E. Bradt, an American conductor on the Mexican Southern Railway, was arrested here and placed in solitary confinement in the State prison on the charge of being responsible for an accident that happened to his train. He has been kept in prison ever since without trial and the case has been appealed to United States Consul-General Barlow. Bradt is suffering soverely from his long confinement.

Smallpox Threatens a College for Women COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 12.-The breaking out of smallpox at Rockhill, the seat of Winthrop College, where there are upward of five hundred young women, has created great unessiness. The disease was brought there from Atlanta. Every doctor in town is vaccinating the inhabitants day and night. The Governor has appointed a commission to visit the town to-morrow and investigate conditions.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 12.-Mme. Adelaide Herr. mann denies the story sent out last week from El Paso that she was caught smuggling a quantity of Japanese silk over the line from Mexico. She says she did not know the silk was dutiable and that as seen as she was informed of the law she settled with the customs officers and no charges were made against her.

PRESIDENT'S MOTHER DEAD

THE END CAME AT 2 O'CLOCK

PRICE TWO CENTS.

YESTERDAY MORNING.

She Died Without Regaining Consciousnesses The President Summoned the Other Mama bers of the Family to the Bedside-Funeral Services on Tuesday at Her Old Church, CANTON, O., Doc. 12.-President McKinley's

mother, Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, died shortly after 2 o'clock this morning. She was unconscious to the end and her death was pain-less. For half an hour before she died her body seemed inanimate. It was impossible to note the exact moment at which life became extinct. The President was keeping the vigil when the end approached, and he summoned the other members of the family. The four surviving children and all but one of the grandchildren were present at the bedside. The President re-

tired at 3:30 o'clock, but arose about the usual

time, and with his brother Abner took his fires

real exercise for many days in an hour's walk about the secluded streets near the house. Soon after dawn the bell of the First Methedist Episcopal Church slowly telled off eightynine strokes, this revival of an old custom to announce the death and age of a member of the congregation having been made by the sexton at the solicitation of some of the old members of the church who had been Mrs. McKinley's warm friends for many years. Dawn also brought a flood of telegrams, which continued coming all day from friends of the family in all parts of the country, and in the early morning many Canton people called with words of condolence.

Assistant Secretary of State Day, who came with the President from Washington and remained over, was among the first, and, as an old and valued friend, assisted in the funeral arrangements. It was the first idea of the family to have only services at the house of a simple and private nature. It soon became apparent. however, that in this case Mrs. McKinley's many friends would have little opportunity of participating, and it was decided to hold exercises in the First Methodist Epis opal Church at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. church at 1 o'clock Tuesday afterneon, to be followed by interment in Westlawn Cemetery. Mrs. McKinley had been associated with this church during her residence here and was a constant attendant, even at her advanced age, having been at the morning services three weeks age to-day. The President is a trustee of the church, and when in the city always attended the services, usually accompanied by his mother. The pastor, the Rev. Dr. Manchester, will invite each of the ministers of the city, about thirty in number, to assist in the services. This afternoon the President and Abner McKinley drove to the cemetery to arrange personally for the interment of their mother at the side of her husband, in the lot adjoining that in which are buried the two children born to President and Mrs. McKinley more than twenty years ago. The President carried flowers to strew on the graves of the children, as both he and his wife always do when they are here.

There will be a number of people here from Washington for the funeral, am ag them Messrs. Bliss, McKenna, and Gary of the Cabinet, Mrs. McKenna and daughters, and Secretary to the President Porter and Mrs. Porter, who will reach here early Tuesday morning. They will leave Tuesday evening, accompanied by the President and Mrs. McKinley.

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President and Mrs. McKinley.

Naney Allison McKinley was born on April 22, 1809. She came of Scotch Covenanter stock, of a branch of the Allison family who left their Scotch homes to seek religious freedom in America. She was married at the age of 22, and spent the early years of her married life at Niles, O., where President McKinley was born. He was her seventh child, coming after David, Anna, James, Mary, Helen, and Sarah. Abner McKinley sna a child thas died at birth were born after William McKinley, or Mother' McKinley brought up her family on old-fashloned principles. She was a woman of strong character and strong religious faith. For twenty years before her son's election to the Presidency she had expressed a belief that he would some time occupy the White House. She attended the innaguration and listened to her son's address. On the 5th of last July, while the President was visiting his mother as Canton, she tripped and fell, cutting a gash in her forehead. She had the wound sewed up without an anæsthetic, and without complaint. Mrs. McKinley lost her bushand in 1889, when he died at the age of 85. Her daughter Helen had cared for her during her closing years. Mrs. McKinley's fatal illness was the result of a paralytic stroke which occurred ten days before her death.

GOING TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL.

Two Special Care to Leave Washington To-WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 .- Arrangements have been made for several members of the Cabines to attend the funeral of Mrs. McKinley, the President's mother, at Canton, O., on Tuesday. The party will go in two special cars attached to the regular train on the Pennsylvania road, leaving Washington to-morrow night at 7:20 o'clock. It will consist of Secretaries Alger, Bliss, and Wilson, Postmaster-General Gary. Attorney-General McKenna, Secretary Porter and Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Alger, Mrs. Gary, and and Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Alger, Mrs. Gary, and Mrs. Mckenna, and perhaps Secretary Sheman. Secretaries Gage and Long will be detained in Washington by official business.

Judge Day, the Assistant Secretary of State, is making arrangements for the reception of the party in Canton. They will pay their respects to President and Mrs. McKinley immediately on their arrival, and will then lunch at the houses of personal friends of the President before the funeral services.

FORT SHERIDAN MAY HAVE TO GO.

Secretary Alger Has Expressed the Opinion That It Is Too Near Chicago. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.-The innumerable scandals that have disgraced Fort Sheridan since that army post was established may result in its abandonment. It is stated on semi-official authority that the advisability of a transfer of the military station to a point more remote from Chicago has received serious consideration at

Chicago has received serious consideration at Washington.
Secretary Alger has intimated to a friend within a week that he thought the post at Fors Sheridan should be abolished, and he gave as his reason that it was too near Chicago. The Secretary further said that he intended to confor shortly with President McKinley, and that he believed the views of the Executive would be in accord with his own.

It is further said that both the President and Secretary Alger are diagusted with the result is the Lovering case, and that the appearent evasion of the order for the public reading of the Lovering reprimand has greatly incensed Mr. Alger against the post and its officers.

SLEIGH ROUTE TO DAWSON. Sir Charles Tupper, Former Canadian Premies,

Heads the Scheme. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 12.—Sir Charles Tuppe 2, late Premier of Canada, has perfected a giganti . scheme for securing winter communication with the Klondike by a relay sleigh or drosky route via the Stickeen River and Testin Lake. He will despatch a pioneer party to Dawson on New Year's Day. His political diplomacy is evi-denced by the persistent announcement that it would be madness to attempt a winter journey, rival enterprise thus being checkmated and a monopoly secured.

Two Mexican Murderers Shot. MATAMORAS, Mexico, Doc. 12.- Pantaloon and Victoriano Guillen, the brothers who murdered aged De Manuci Carpillo in this city on the night of Oct. 5, were shot in the prison yard here yesterday. Six gendarmes served as exe-cutioners, one being the Lieutenant of Police. cutioners, one being the Lieutemant of Police. He stepped up to the condemned men immediately after the first voiley and shot them with his rifle, which he placed just behind the left car. The prisoners were conducted blindfolded from their cells one at a time and were sasted in a chair facing the executioners, who were about six paces away. Pantaleon confessed to a priest and received his blessing, but Victorians refused religious ministrations.

CITY OF MEXICO. Dec. 12.-The Government Meteorological Bureau here has received ad vices from Acapulco and other points along that part of the Pacific coast announcing several earthquake shocks in the last three days. Each shock was of short duration, and no damage was done.